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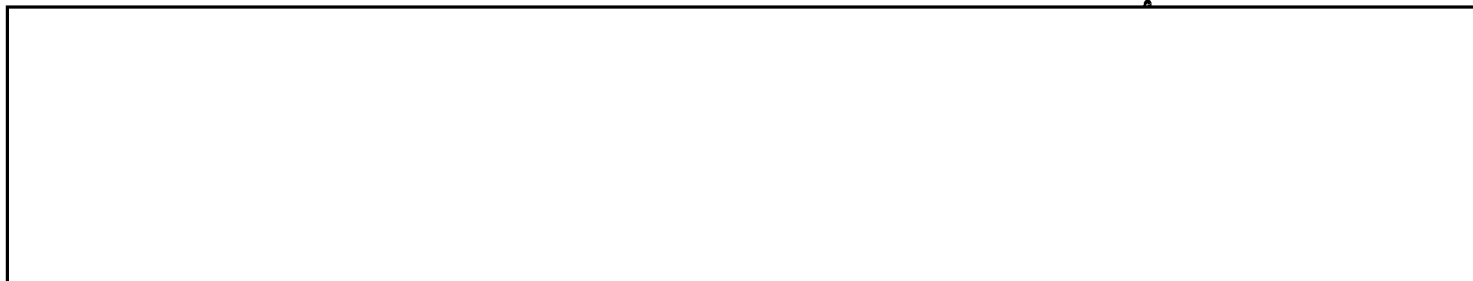
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INSTALLATION: Port Construction Activity
LOCATION: Minet El Beida, Syria
B. E. NUMBER: NA
WAC NUMBER: 426

BRIEF NO.: B-35-57
DATE: 20 May 1957
LATITUDE: 35°37' N
LONGITUDE: 35°46' E

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PHOTO DATA:



REFERENCES:

Map : AMS K721 1:50,000 Sheet 50K9 Lattaquie

REQUIREMENT CI/HTA/R3/57: Report on extent of construction activity and presence of naval craft at Minet El Beida, Syria.

REMARKS:

Photography [] reveals a breakwater and tidal basin under construction at Minet El Beida, a small bay six miles north of Latakia, Syria. The breakwater is of rubble construction and extends part way across the mouth of the bay from the south shore of the entrance. The tidal basin, which is situated within the bay in a natural indentation on the south shore, is 400 feet long and 250 feet wide. Two dredges, five barges, and a small boat are being utilized to deepen the bay in the area of the tidal basin.

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There are no shore installations except a construction camp. In [] a dirt road was still the only means of access by land, and there was no road or railroad under construction. The eight vessels engaged in the dredging operation were the only vessels present in the area at the time of photography.

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* Not true vertical